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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Box Non-Fee Amendment

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Sir:

Please enter the following amendments to the claims prior to the examination of the application.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows: (The marked up version with markings to show changes made in the specification is attached.)

Replace the paragraph bridging pages 10 and 11, as follows:

In Figure 5, where parts also appearing in Figures 1-3 bear identical references, the circuit diagram 50 provides the basic noise cancellation function using a simple feedback loop arrangement. The sound measuring device 15, which may be a

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